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OHIO

WEEKLY CROP - PROGRESS SUMMARY

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OHIO CROP-WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS

The average temperature for the state was 76.0 degrees, 3.8 degrees above normal for the week ending Sunday, August 5. Precipitation averaged 0.70 inches, 0.10 inches below the normal level. The South Central district received the most precipitation with 1.00 inches, while the Northeast Hills district only received 0.44 inches. Growing degree days were 5 days above normal.

Reporters rated 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork during the seven day period ending Friday, August 3. This is 1.8 days more than last year and 0.2 days more than the 1996-00 average. Topsoil moisture was rated 18 percent very short, 33 percent short, 45 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus.

Days Suitable			
	Current week	Previous week	Since 1 st week of April
2001	5.9	5.2	79.5
2000	4.1	6.6	73.0
1996-2000 Average	5.7	5.9	80.4

Topsoil Moisture				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Current Week	18	33	45	4
Last Week	11	33	51	5
Same Week Last Year	1	13	74	12
1996-2000 Average	13	29	53	6

FIELD ACTIVITIES AND CROP PROGRESS WEEK ENDING SUNDAY AUGUST 5

Reporters estimated that **Oats** are 80 percent harvested. This is six days ahead of last year and five days ahead of the 1996-00 average. Respondents estimate that 93 percent of the **Corn** has silked. This is two days behind last year and six days ahead of the 1996-00 average. Twenty-nine percent of the corn crop is in the dough stage. This is two days behind last year and three days ahead of the 1996-00 average. Three percent of the corn crop is dented. This is on schedule with last year and one day ahead of the 1996-00 average. Corn harvested for silage is one percent completed. This is eight days ahead of last year and nine days ahead of the 1996-00 average. Ninety-two percent of the **Soybean** crop has bloomed. This is two days ahead of 2000 and five days ahead of the 1996-00 average. Sixty-five percent of the soybeans

are setting pods. This is four days ahead of last year and eight days ahead of the 1996-00 average. **Alfalfa hay** second cutting is 92 percent complete. This is one day behind last year and three days ahead of the 1996-00 average. Alfalfa hay third cutting is 29 percent complete. This is five days ahead of last year and seven days ahead of the 1996-00 average. **Other Hay** second cutting at 76 percent complete is five days ahead of last year and six days ahead of the five-year average. Other hay third cutting is 14 percent complete. This is six days ahead of last year and seven days ahead of the 1996-00 average. The **Tobacco** crop is 35 percent topped. This is two days behind last year. **Potatoes** are 26 percent harvested. This is 12 days ahead of last year and 14 days ahead of the 1996-00 average. **Cucumbers** are 40 percent harvested. **Processing Tomatoes** are two percent harvested. This is nine days ahead of last year and three days ahead of the 1996-00 average. **Summer apples** are 50 percent harvested. This is five days behind last year and nine days behind the 1996-00 average. **Peaches** are 33 percent harvested. This is eight days behind last year.

Activities throughout the state include harvesting oats, mowing ditches and feedlots, irrigating vegetables, spraying soybeans, spreading lime, baling hay and straw, topping tobacco, repairing equipment and buildings, hauling grain and manure, scouting fields for insects and diseases, clipping wheat stubble, seeding CRP filter strips, shearing Christmas trees, picking apples, peaches, and watermelons, harvesting sweet corn and other vegetables, preparing for county fairs.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS

Reported insects included spider mites, leaf hoppers, European Corn Borer, and Japanese beetles. Reported weed problems include Canada thistle, giant ragweeds, dogbane, thistles, and marestail. Fruit and vegetable crops were reported in good to excellent condition throughout the state, but many reporters commented on the dry conditions and the damage they are starting to see in many fields and orchards.

Reporters rated 44 percent of the pastures in good to excellent condition. The corn crop is 51 percent in good to excellent condition. Soybeans are rated 51 percent in good to excellent condition.

Livestock conditions are mostly in the good to excellent range. Heat, humidity, deer flies, face flies, horse flies, and mosquitoes contributed to livestock stress throughout the state.

PERCENT PROGRESS OF CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY AUGUST 5

Crop	2001	2000	1996-00 Average	Previous Week	
				Ohio	U.S.
Alfalfa hay 2 nd cutting	92	92	88	81	NA
Alfalfa hay 3 rd cutting	29	23	19	13	NA
Corn dented	3	3	2	1	NA
Corn harvested for silage	1	NA	NA	NA	NA
Corn in dough	29	33	23	15	21
Corn silked	93	94	80	81	79
Cucumbers harvested	40	NA	NA	31	NA
Oats harvested	80	62	66	54	NA
Other hay 2 nd cutting	76	69	66	61	NA
Other hay 3 rd cutting	14	7	8	7	NA
Peaches harvested	33	47	NA	32	NA
Potatoes harvested	26	16	12	3	NA
Processing Tomatoes harvested	2	0	0	NA	NA
Soybeans bloomed	92	90	85	86	79
Soybeans setting pods	65	56	47	38	38
Summer apples harvested	50	62	63	48	NA
Tobacco topped	35	38	NA	12	NA

PERCENT CONDITION OF MAJOR CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY AUGUST 5

CORN	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	4	11	34	40	11
Previous Week	3	8	28	47	14
Previous Year	2	6	17	47	28
HAY					
Current Week	6	14	33	38	9
Previous Week	3	13	30	45	9
Previous Year	0	5	25	54	16
PASTURE					
Current Week	7	16	33	36	8
Previous Week	5	14	33	40	8
Previous Year	1	5	27	55	12
SOYBEANS					
Current Week	3	9	37	41	10
Previous Week	2	8	31	47	12
Previous Year	4	9	25	46	16

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY AUGUST 5

	Temperature		Precipitation				Growing Degree Days ^{1/}			
Region	Last Week	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.
Northwest	76.8	5.0	0.59	-0.11	15.64	1.13	176	26	2035	123
North Central	76.2	4.5	0.83	0.04	12.65	-2.30	155	5	1965	95
Northeast	74.2	3.8	0.49	-0.32	10.65	-4.60	146	3	1818	50
West Central	77.1	4.8	0.64	-0.10	19.34	3.60	164	11	2114	128
Central	76.4	3.8	0.96	0.22	17.74	1.48	158	3	2127	118
Central Hills	75.6	4.6	0.75	-0.09	14.19	-1.87	153	7	1942	88
Northeast Hills	74.6	3.1	0.44	-0.37	13.79	-2.17	149	0	1913	26
Southwest	77.7	4.1	0.47	-0.33	20.28	3.56	164	3	2214	101
South Central	76.0	2.2	1.00	0.17	19.29	3.14	156	-5	2217	84
Southeast	75.0	2.6	0.75	-0.17	17.70	1.29	153	-1	2055	45
STATE	76.0	3.8	0.70	-0.10	16.45	0.62	158	5	2052	87

1/ Modified Growing degree days, base 50 - ceiling 86.

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